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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Part B of the English 33 Diploma Examination has 70 questions in the Questions Booklet and eight reading selections in the Readings Booklet.

BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE AN ENGLISH 33 QUESTIONS BOOKLET AND AN ENGLISH 33 READINGS BOOKLET.

YOU HAVE 2 HOURS TO COMPLETE THIS EXAMINATION.

You may **NOT** use a dictionary, thesaurus, or other reference materials.

On the ANSWER SHEET provided, use **ONLY** an HB pencil to mark the **CORRECT** or **BEST** answer for each question as shown in the example below.

Example

Which month has 31 days?

- A. February
- B. April
- C. November
- D. December


Answer Sheet

A B C D

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Mark only one answer for each question. If you change an answer, erase your first mark completely. Answer all questions.

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- I. Read the excerpt from “Falling In Love” on pages 1 to 3 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 1 to 13.**
1. The phrase “churned-up landscape” (lines 2-3) reflects the narrator’s
- A. feelings of inner turmoil
 - B. view of untamed nature
 - C. distrust of external authority
 - D. rejection of male companionship
2. The bus driver’s “tone” (line 23) demonstrates that he believes that
- A. passengers are hard to please
 - B. young people require firm direction
 - C. women misunderstand polite manners
 - D. people of limited means have little influence
3. The physical image of Lureen reflected in the bus window (lines 25-27) serves to emphasize her feeling of
- A. stubbornness
 - B. frustration
 - C. dejection
 - D. fatigue
4. Lureen’s concern about rejoining her parents (lines 49-51) suggests that they viewed her leaving home with
- A. fear
 - B. anger
 - C. indifference
 - D. disapproval
5. That Lureen imagines a comfortable domestic scene in the backrooms of the store (lines 53-56) suggests that she is
- A. bored by routine housework
 - B. desirous of emotional security
 - C. contemptuous of traditional life-styles
 - D. aware of the emptiness of the landscape

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6. Which quotation BEST indicates Lureen's conclusions about her circumstances?
- A. "The whole world is under destruction." (line 16)
 - B. "My luggage is an Eaton's shopping bag." (line 27)
 - C. "I have seen the light." (lines 50-51)
 - D. "So, okay, I played the game." (line 112)
7. In Larry's letter, his statement "*That's life*" (line 78) indicates that he is
- A. admitting his love for Lureen
 - B. worrying about Lureen's reaction
 - C. telling Lureen to forget about him
 - D. disclaiming responsibility for hurting Lureen
8. In Larry's letter, the use of expressions such as "*dead-end*" (line 79), "*It just depends*" (line 82), and "*Tell the old lady*" (line 86) serves to
- A. provide humor
 - B. create contrast
 - C. reveal character
 - D. emphasize setting
9. When the pet rabbit "scurries away without a backward glance" (line 131), he symbolizes
- A. people's relationship with nature
 - B. animals' need for freedom
 - C. Larry's departure
 - D. Lureen's trip
10. Larry and Lureen are emotionally closest when they
- A. listen to Larry's mother
 - B. communicate by letter
 - C. work on Larry's car
 - D. care for Satan
11. The attitude of Larry's mother toward her son suggests her
- A. desire to solve his problems
 - B. surprise at his independence
 - C. irritation with his love of animals
 - D. lack of confidence in his reliability

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12. The mood established in the story is reinforced MAINLY by

- A. sound images
- B. visual images
- C. parallel structures
- D. repeated questions

13. Which statement reflects the main idea of this excerpt?

- A. Disappointments arouse memories of family expectations.
- B. Women are frequently the victims in human relationships.
- C. Concern for others is more important than individual choice.
- D. Lack of commitment makes a lasting relationship impossible.

- II. Read “The Jelly Bean Man” on pages 4 and 5 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 14 to 20.**
- 14.** The Jelly Bean Man associates the speaker’s wife with gods and goddesses (lines 14-16) in order to suggest that all individuals are
- A.** important
 - B.** generous
 - C.** powerful
 - D.** proud
- 15.** The Jelly Bean Man’s references to Greek mythology indicate that he is
- A.** peculiar
 - B.** religious
 - C.** observant
 - D.** knowledgeable
- 16.** The quotation that suggests we should savor simple experiences is
- A.** “ ‘Kiss it and make it well’ ” (line 6)
 - B.** “ ‘It’s nothing to grin about’ ” (line 11)
 - C.** “ ‘which she and I later ate’ ” (line 20)
 - D.** “ ‘slowly, with dairy butter’ ” (lines 21-22)
- 17.** The comparison of the Jelly Bean Man to an uncle or a grandfather implies
- A.** trust
 - B.** respect
 - C.** maturity
 - D.** authority
- 18.** The irony expressed in lines 34 to 37 is created by
- A.** vivid imagery
 - B.** contrasting ideas
 - C.** transitional devices
 - D.** uncomplicated phrases

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19. The speaker suggests that our society mistrusts innocence because
- A. we are jealous and envious of others
 - B. the media focus on corruption and violence
 - C. our desire for possessions creates selfishness
 - D. we have become suspicious of the motives of others
20. Which of the following statements BEST expresses the theme of the poem?
- A. The sharing of gifts brings people together.
 - B. Fear conditions us to limit our experiences.
 - C. Family relationships are stronger than all others.
 - D. Today's life-styles have increased the difficulties of parenting.

III. Read the excerpt from *Candida* on pages 6 to 9 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 21 to 30.

21. In the statement “I suppose you thought it was a sort of barrel-organ” (line 9), Proserpine’s tone is
- A. understanding
 - B. inquisitive
 - C. sarcastic
 - D. accusing
22. By using the phrase “unmeasured stores” (line 42), Eugene suggests that
- A. love is limitless
 - B. love can be bought
 - C. no one loves as he loves
 - D. life without love is preferable to rejection
23. According to Eugene, the “world’s tragedy” (line 49) is that people
- A. live without fear and shame
 - B. are too timid to express love
 - C. are too insecure to expect love
 - D. live within rules and restrictions
24. The emotion that prompts Proserpine’s response “Talk about indifferent things” (line 67) is based upon
- A. boredom
 - B. contempt
 - C. arrogance
 - D. defensiveness
25. The dramatic purpose of the stage direction for Proserpine to suddenly rise “*with her hand pressed on her heart*” (line 78) is to illustrate that
- A. Eugene is physically appealing to her
 - B. Eugene’s comments have deeply affected her
 - C. she recognizes that she cannot talk meaningfully with Eugene
 - D. she wishes to drop the offensive subject that Eugene has raised

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26. Eugene says “Ah! I understand now” (line 111) when he suddenly realizes that
- A. Candida loves him
 - B. Proserpine loves him
 - C. Proserpine loves Mr. Morell
 - D. Mr. Morell is loved by no one
27. Eugene’s covering his face with his hands (lines 125-126) suggests that he feels
- A. betrayed by Proserpine
 - B. betrayed by Mr. Morell
 - C. surprised by Proserpine’s sympathy for him
 - D. depressed to learn that Candida might love her husband
28. The irony of the situation involving Eugene and Proserpine is that they
- A. both love love for its own sake
 - B. love each other but don’t know it
 - C. both love someone who is already married
 - D. recognize that love is a special need of shy people
29. At the end of the excerpt, Eugene realizes that
- A. Proserpine despises him
 - B. Candida has misled him
 - C. he has misjudged his rival
 - D. he has lost Mr. Morell’s trust
30. The quotation that BEST reflects the theme of this excerpt is
- A. “We all go about longing for love” (line 31)
 - B. “Wicked people means people who have no love: therefore they have no shame” (lines 54-55)
 - C. “Does that stop the cry of your heart? for it does cry: doesn’t it?” (lines 75-76)
 - D. “But it’s horribly lonely not to hear someone else talk sometimes” (lines 105-106)

IV. Read about Robin's decision to participate in a volunteer program on pages 10 to 15 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 31 to 38.

31. What is the MAIN emphasis in Kelly's postcard (H) message?
- A. Information for a résumé
 - B. Need to accept challenges
 - C. Benefits of being a volunteer
 - D. Concern for the snowman contest
32. In her letter to Kelly (I), Robin indicates that she has decided to become a volunteer MAINLY as a result of
- A. the speaker's presentation to her class
 - B. her desire for work experience
 - C. the apartment fire crisis
 - D. her cousin's experience
33. The MAIN purpose of the informational evening for potential volunteers for the Community Support Program (K) is to
- A. enable potential volunteers to present their qualifications
 - B. persuade interested volunteers to sign up for the next training session
 - C. present potential volunteers with informational pamphlets and application forms
 - D. provide interested volunteers with information and to respond to their personal inquiries
34. In order for Robin to *apply* as a volunteer for the Community Support Program (K), she is required to
- A. submit a composition
 - B. indicate her sponsor's name
 - C. agree to a personal interview if requested
 - D. take the next training session in February

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35. The Community Support Program telephone service (L) that requires both training and experience is the
- A. Information and Referral Line
 - B. Suicide Prevention Program
 - C. Distress Line
 - D. Health Line
36. The MAIN purpose of the Nalwen Food Bank (M) is to
- A. assist subsidized individuals who are in need
 - B. provide a program that promotes co-operation and compassion
 - C. collect and distribute food to organizations caring for the needy
 - D. reduce the problems of waste by distributing excess food to the needy
37. According to the information that Robin received over the telephone (N), the volunteer program that she could begin immediately is the
- A. CNIB Program
 - B. St. John Ambulance Program
 - C. Nalwen Hospital Teen Program
 - D. Nalwen Home for the Deaf Program
38. The volunteer program advertised on the Bulletin Board (O) that would increase Robin's understanding of people in crisis situations is described under the heading
- A. ACTORS NEEDED
 - B. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 - C. ASSISTANT INSTRUCTORS
 - D. VOLUNTEER READING ASSISTANTS OF NALWEN

- V. Read the rough draft of Robin's composition on pages 16 and 17 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 39 to 43.**
- 39.** The MAIN purpose of the opening sentence of Robin's composition is to
- A. create a mature tone
 - B. capture attention with an unusual beginning
 - C. promote curiosity by using a generalization
 - D. establish the main idea by stating a widely held concept
- 40.** The revisions to paragraph 2 serve MAINLY to improve
- A. vocabulary
 - B. punctuation
 - C. organization
 - D. sentence length
- 41.** Robin's composition would be strengthened if paragraph 3 were
- A. developed fully
 - B. deleted entirely
 - C. included elsewhere
 - D. rearranged structurally
- 42.** The revisions to paragraph 4 improve
- A. punctuation
 - B. organization
 - C. word choice
 - D. sentence structure
- 43.** Paragraph 5 is effective MAINLY because it
- A. reaffirms Robin's motivation
 - B. reveals Robin's sense of satisfaction
 - C. conveys Robin's cousin's contribution
 - D. indicates Robin's respect for experience

- VI. Read “Chasing the Puck” on page 18 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 44 to 50.**
- 44.** The scene at the speaker’s childhood pond contrasts MOST DIRECTLY with the image of
- A. “drop-pass antics” (line 2)
 - B. “well-heated ice-palace” (line 5)
 - C. “the game ruined” (line 19)
 - D. “the electric roar” (line 24)
- 45.** The speaker says “it’s not hard to let the mind wander” (line 6) because
- A. he is concerned about the violence of the game
 - B. the hockey game triggers memories of his youth
 - C. the high-speed action confuses him
 - D. he is preoccupied with the past
- 46.** The repeated use of infinitive phrases such as “to put” (line 7), “to clear” (line 8), “to find” (line 10), “to bring” (line 16), and “To come” (line 17) alerts the reader that the speaker is
- A. reminiscing
 - B. fantasizing
 - C. confused
 - D. tired
- 47.** The information in parenthesis in lines 11 and 12 is provided to
- A. add details about the setting
 - B. develop an element of suspense
 - C. foreshadow the injury of the goalie
 - D. suggest the character of the speaker
- 48.** The goalie’s reaction to being injured is indicated by
- A. “five minutes’ agony” (line 14)
 - B. “rubbed almost through the skin” (line 15)
 - C. “him turning away from me” (lines 19-20)
 - D. “poised for the shot, the net-bulge” (line 24)

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49. The speaker's interest in hockey probably developed from his

- A. being part of a crowd
- B. having played as a child
- C. access to professional games
- D. attachment to individual stars

50. The DOMINANT mood established in the poem is one of

- A. reflection
- B. regret
- C. expectancy
- D. disappointment

VII. Read the excerpts from *Friends and Relations* on pages 19 to 21 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 51 to 59.

- 51.** Mrs. Bird wants her “name on the offer” (line 4) in order to gain
- A.** publicity
 - B.** income
 - C.** clients
 - D.** status
- 52.** Mrs. Bird’s statement “I have to clothe myself . . . run my car and pay for my advertisements” (lines 5-6) suggests that
- A.** her earnings are inadequate
 - B.** she needs help in budgeting
 - C.** she wants sympathy from others
 - D.** her income does not match her ambitions
- 53.** That Willey is more interested in profits than in the best deal for his clients is BEST shown in
- A.** “you had them all confused” (lines 11-12)
 - B.** “You have to sense how close the prospect is to a commitment” (lines 17-18)
 - C.** “you’ll never be worth anything in real estate” (lines 23-24)
 - D.** “You have to know exactly when to move in” (line 25)
- 54.** Mrs. Bird’s statement “Not after this they won’t” (line 48) suggests that she will
- A.** challenge the Real Estate Board
 - B.** undersell Willey’s future deals
 - C.** protect all her future sales
 - D.** quit real estate

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55. Mrs. Bird's understanding acceptance of her husband is BEST suggested in
- A. "he never talked to me very much. But he wasn't deliberately unkind" (lines 113-114)
 - B. "He was not a great doctor, but his patients had confidence in him" (lines 115-116)
 - C. "when they called for him, he always came" (line 117)
 - D. "When you've been married, the way I was married, it marks you" (lines 120-121)
56. The statement "I've been disappointed before" (line 126) indicates that Szekely is
- A. bitter and sarcastic
 - B. angry and resentful
 - C. practical and realistic
 - D. indifferent and uncaring
57. Willey and Szekely differ MOST in their attitude toward
- A. making profits
 - B. the role of women
 - C. leaving business to chance
 - D. the importance of social status
58. Mrs. Bird's attitude after she joins Langbourne Associates is
- A. greedy
 - B. confident
 - C. unfeeling
 - D. inquisitive
59. The emphasis in these excerpts is on
- A. creating suspense
 - B. structuring the plot
 - C. developing character
 - D. establishing the setting

VIII. Read “Far Horizons and Noble Visions Seen So Clearly on a Tragic Day” on pages 22 to 24 of your Readings Booklet and answer questions 60 to 70.

- 60.** The writer’s role in the space shuttle program was that of
- A.** a political representative
 - B.** a civilian passenger
 - C.** an educator
 - D.** an adviser
- 61.** The word “oblique” (line 13) means
- A.** indirect
 - B.** involved
 - C.** impartial
 - D.** important
- 62.** According to the committee (lines 15-20), suitable civilians for future shuttle flights were those people who were
- A.** intelligent and able to communicate
 - B.** physically and psychologically fit
 - C.** trainable and able to adapt
 - D.** adventurous and patriotic
- 63.** The phrase “deluging the television” (line 30) means that all TV channels were
- A.** receiving numerous phone calls
 - B.** reporting only the space shuttle disaster
 - C.** analysing the complex technical problems
 - D.** having problems organizing the information coming in
- 64.** The writer believes that “permanent study stations” (line 33) should be built in space so that
- A.** progress in space will be recorded historically
 - B.** civilian participation will be assured
 - C.** future exploration will be continued
 - D.** national pride will be enhanced

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65. When the writer says “I salute them” (line 64), he is expressing his
- A. patriotism
 - B. sorrow
 - C. regret
 - D. respect
66. The description of the highway of exploration as “pock-marked with craters” (line 69) is effective because of the writer’s use of
- A. simile
 - B. metaphor
 - C. alliteration
 - D. exaggeration
67. The **CLEAREST** suggestion that the continuation of space travel is inevitable is found in
- A. “ ‘We have opened the portals to a magnificent universe and we can never again close them’ ” (lines 48-49)
 - B. “The human mind is restless. No matter how great the challenge, gallant men and women will step forward to tackle it” (lines 67-68)
 - C. “I see far horizons on this tragic day, noble ones that will be reached only when I am gone” (lines 73-74)
 - D. “Judith Resnik and I worked together during a week-long seminar at Woods Hole trying to guess what the universe of space was going to be like in the year 2020” (lines 83-85)
68. Characterizing Judith Resnik as having “a will of iron” (lines 85-86) suggests that she was
- A. tireless
 - B. courageous
 - C. aggressive
 - D. determined

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69. The purpose of the numerous historical references is to
- A. illustrate the futility of experimentation
 - B. highlight the dangers involved in space exploration
 - C. illustrate that challenge may overshadow cautious behavior
 - D. show that failure has always been a part of human endeavor
70. Which quotation BEST expresses the theme of the passage?
- A. "Our nation should be in space and we should be taking qualified civilians into the great adventure." (lines 31-32)
 - B. "Space is the premier adventure of our age and to restrict it to military and quasi-military personnel would be improper." (lines 36-37)
 - C. "Progress is attained through this alternation of success and failure." (lines 80-81)
 - D. "Judith Resnik could serve as the symbol of why men and women dare great things." (lines 90-91)

